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Attorney Docket No.: 2004\_0525A

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Title: DATA MULTIPLEXING APPARATUS, DATA MULTIPLEXING METHOD, AND TRANSMISSION APPARATUS

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form  
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2. ☐ Small Entity Status is hereby asserted.

3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages: 38]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
- Descriptive title of the Invention  
- Cross References to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to Sequence Listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix.

- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets: 13]

5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages : 3]  
a.1. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)  
a.2. ☐ Unexecuted  
b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  
i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet (see 37 CFR 1.76)

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or computer program (Appendix)

8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
  - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
  - ii. ☐ Paper
- c. ☐ The paper and computer readable copies are identical

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- 9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- 10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
  - ☐ Power of Attorney
- 11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- 12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
  - ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- 13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- 14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
- 15. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
- 16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i).  
Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- 17. ☒ Other CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC 119

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below, and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet :

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